

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Thursday, May 17, 2001, Part II

HOUSE

The House proceedings were included, in their entirety, in the Congressional record summary of Wednesday, May 17, 2001, Part I.

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

S. 906. *A bill to provide for protection of gun owner privacy and ownership rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

*"...I rise to announce the introduction of legislation that would make a technical correction to Chapter 44 of title 18 of the United States Code which would ensure that the rights of law-abiding gun owners are not further eroded by the Federal Government when it performs background checks for the purchase of firearms. [] The United States stands out as the example of democracy and freedom for the rest of the world. We hold this position because of our unswerving dedication to the Constitution, and to a **Federal court system** that has diligently worked to uphold the individual rights created by that historic document..."*

Enzi

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S. 908. *A bill to require Congress and the President to fulfill their Constitutional duty to take personal responsibility for Federal laws; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.*

Brownback

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S. 911. *A bill to reauthorize the Endangered Species Act of 1973; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.*

Smith

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S. 914. *A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 95 Seventh Street in San Francisco, California, as the "James R. Browning United States Courthouse;" to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.*

Boxer

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Executive Communications:

EC-1912. *A communication from the Deputy General Counsel of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Instant Criminal Background Check System Regulation; Delay of Effective Date" (RIN1110-AA02) received on May 9, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

EC-1913. *A communication from the Secretary of the Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Federal Judgeship Act of 2001;" to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

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Remarks:

Department Of Justice Nominations.

Leahy

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Project Safe Neighborhoods.

*"...In his speech, the President introduced 'Project Safe Neighborhoods,' an initiative to combat gun violence. The **main focus** of this initiative is on the increased enforcement of existing gun laws and more vigorous **prosecution of crimes committed with handguns**. The President plans to devote \$550 million in funding to this initiative over the next 2 years. The majority of the funding will be **dedicated to hiring new Federal and State prosecutors** to focus on gun crimes, updating State criminal record systems, improving Federal ballistics testing that trace illegal guns and developing regional task forces of Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies to catch and prosecute criminals in gun cases..."*

Levin

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The Cuban Solidarity Act Of 2001.

Craig

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Next SENATE MEETING: Friday, 10:00 a.m., May 18, 2001.

Next HOUSE MEETING: Monday, 12:30 p.m., May 21, 2001.

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